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TAGS: CASC, LA (CONWAY, ROSEMARY ANN)

SUBJECT: AMCIT ROSEMARY ANN CONWAY

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1. AS CONTEMPLATED REFTTEL, CONSUL ON JUNE 16 ATTEMPTED TO ARRANGE CONSULAR VISIT TO MS. CONWAY BUT STRUCK OUT WITH MFA PROTOCOL OFFICIALS, WHO INDICATED MATTER WAS OUT OF THEIR HANDS AND WOULD HAVE TO BE BROACHED AT HIGHER LEVELS.

2. ACCORDINGLY, POL COUNSELOR TELEPHONED FOREIGN MINISTER'S CHEF DE CABINET JUNE 17 TO REQUEST VISIT BY CONSUL, EMBASSY PHYSICIAN, MFA REPS, AND -- IF IT COULD BE ARRANGED -- AN ENGLISH-SPEAKING LAO PHYSICIAN FOR SAME AFTERNOON IF POSSIBLE. HE NOTED PRESS SPECULATION ABOUT SUBJECT'S HAVING BEEN MOVED FROM ORIGINAL PLACE OF CONFINEMENT (MIXED POLICE FACILITY NEXT DOOR TO PATHET LAO HEADQUARTERS AT SOMBOUN LYCEE) EITHER TO SAM KHE PRISON OR TO NATIONAL DOCUMENTATION (INTELLIGENCE) SERVICE HEADQUARTERS NEAR THE CHANCERY. (COMMENT: THESE REPORTS REVPIN UNCONFIRMED AND MAY DERIVE FROM PATHET LAO EFFORTS TO KEEP MS. CONWAY AWAY FROM
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PRESS AT ORIGINAL PLACE OF CONFINEMENT.)

3. CHEF DE CABINET'S ATTENTION WAS ALSO INVITED TO OFFICIAL DENIAL BY DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN JUNE 13 OF ANY ASSOCIATION BETWEEN MS. CONWAY AND U.S. MISSION.

4. CHEF DE CABINET TOOK NOTE OF THESE REMARKS, MADE NO REJOINDER, AND SAID ONLY THAT HE WOULD DETERMINE SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS THROUGH MIXED POLICE AND REPLY LATER REGARDING CONSULAR/MEDICAL VISIT. (THIS WAS SAME FORMULA THAT RESULTED IN JUNE 13 VISIT.) HOWEVER, HE DID NOT REPLY DURING COURSE OF DAY AND COULD NOT BE REACHED IN HIS OFFICE NEAR CLOSE OF BUSINESS.

5. WE WILL FOLLOW UP MORNING JUNE 18.
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